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RE: Water diverted from Santa Clara River by UP&L

Dear Sir,

For years UP&L has diverted water from the Santa Clara River to generate electricity at hydro-electric plants near Veyo and Gunlock Utah. The water used is diverted into a 11.0 mile long earthen canal and two ponds. The canal is very porous along some sections and a good part of the diverted water is lost. Historically very little maintenance has been performed to repair the leaks or keep the canal free of debris.

With a continuing shortage of water in the south western part of Utah it is unconscionable that a public utility be permitted to be engaged in this type of wasteful activity. If an irrigation company were using the same type of management they would be required to make necessary repairs, no matter what the cost, to be able to continue the use of their water rights.

We are requesting that you look into the reason why efforts have not been made to eliminate the waste in the canal system and why a more efficient method of water delivery to the hydro plants is not being used.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Pine Valley Irr. Company
Larry Gardner, Pres.

Robert Gray

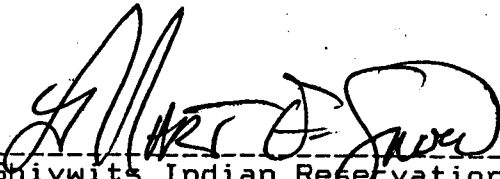
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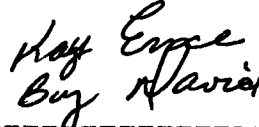
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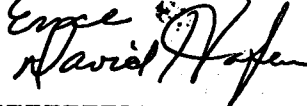
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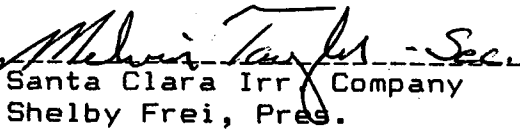
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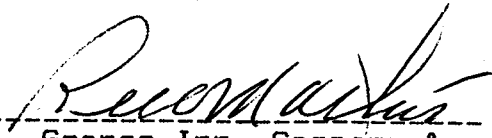

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